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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 565.084, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to tampering with a judicial officer, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 565.084, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 565.084, to read as follows:

565.084. 1. A person commits the crime of tampering with a judicial

- 2 officer if, with the purpose to harass, intimidate or influence a judicial officer in
- 3 the performance of such officer's official duties, he:
- 4 (1) Threatens or causes harm to such judicial officer or members of such
- 5 judicial officer's family;
- 6 (2) Uses force, threats, or deception against or toward such judicial officer
- 7 or members of such judicial officer's family;
- 8 (3) Offers, conveys or agrees to convey any benefit direct or indirect upon
- 9 such judicial officer or such judicial officer's family;
- 10 (4) Engages in conduct reasonably calculated to harass or alarm such
- 11 judicial officer or such judicial officer's family, including stalking pursuant to
- 12 section 565.225.
- 13 2. A judicial officer for purposes of this section shall be a judge, arbitrator,
- 14 special master, juvenile court commissioner, state probation or parole officer, [or]
- 15 referee, prosecutor, or assistant prosecutor.
- 16 3. A judicial officer's family for purposes of this section shall be:
- 17 (1) His spouse; or

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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18 (2) His or his spouse's ancestor or descendant by blood or adoption; or

19 (3) His stepchild, while the marriage creating that relationship exists.

4. Tampering with a judicial officer is a class C felony.

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